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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 13 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 748 (1992) CONCERNING THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA

3.30 p.m.*	78th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

* The Chairman of the Committee will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in Conference Room 7, immediately following the meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tenth emergency special session

10 a.m.	6th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	7th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [5]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/ES-10/16 and Add.1);

(b) Draft resolution (A/ES-10/l.3).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 1

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all agenda items (items 62-83) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	40th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Environment and sustainable development [98](A/52/25, A/52/112, A/52/217-S/1997/507, A/52/284, A/52/318, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/52/514-S/1997/815)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa (A/52/549)

(d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (A/52/560, A/52/561, A/52/413)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.	41st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Environment and sustainable development [98](A/52/25, A/52/112, A/52/217-S/1997/507, A/52/284, A/52/318, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/52/514-S/1997/815)

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   (d) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (A/52/560, A/52/561, A/52/413)

   General discussion (conclusion)

2. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research [100] (A/52/367, A/52/559)

   Introductory statement

3. Macroeconomic policy questions [95] (A/52/284, A/52/347, A/52/447-S/1997/775, A/52/460, A/C.2/52/4)

   (b) Trade and development (A/52/15 (Part I and Part II), A/52/329, A/52/413, A/52/459)

   General discussion (concluded)

4. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   (c) Protection of the global climate for present and future generations of mankind

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.21

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.2 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/52/L.5 (item 99 (a)), A/C.2/52/L.7 and L.9 (item 99 b))

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* Immediately following the adjournment of the 41st meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668,, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)] (A/52/468, A/52/469 and Add.1, A/52/473, A/52/474, A/52/475, A/52/483, A/52/489, A/52/494, A/52/498, A/52/548, A/52/567, A/52/477, A/52/66, A/52/81-S/1997/153, A/52/85-S/1997/180, A/52/117, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/133-S/1997/348, A/52/134-S/1997/349, A/52/135, A/52/151, A/52/182, A/52/204, A/52/205)

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Corr.1*, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

4. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

5. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)
Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Human Rights in Cambodia
Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Sudan
Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in Rwanda
Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Cuba

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of the child [108]

Introduction of amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.25 contained in document A/C.3/52/L.39

2. Programme of activities of the international decade of the work's indigenous people [109]

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.40

3. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.31, L.32 and L.38

4. Right of peoples to self-determination [111]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.33, L.34 and L.41

5. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.35, L.36 and L.37

6. Human rights questions [112] (A/52/3, A/52/116, A/52/173, A/52/254-S/1997/567, A/52/262, A/52/286-S/1997/647, A/52/301-S/1997/668,, A/52/347, A/52/432, A/52/437, A/52/447-S/1997/775)

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8. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)] (A/52/497, A/52/502, A/52/515, A/52/527, A/52/472, A/52/476, A/52/479, A/52/484, A/52/486/Add.1/Corr.1*, A/52/490, A/52/493, A/52/496, A/52/499, A/52/505, A/52/506, A/52/510, A/52/522, A/52/583, A/52/61-S/1997/68, A/52/64, A/52/125-S/1997/334, A/52/170)

9. Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [112 (d)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

10. Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [112 (e)] (A/52/36, A/52/182)

Continuation of the general discussion

* To be issued.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 114 (Review of the efficiency of the administration and financial functioning of the United Nations: Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/933, A/52/339 and Add.1 and A/52/575)) and 138 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (A/51/519/Add.5 and Corr.1 and A/52/546))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment for the expenses of the United Nations (A/51/11 and Corr.1-2))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 4

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152] (A/52/304 and Add.1 and Corr.1, A/52/37, A/C.6/52/L.3)

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirtieth session [148]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.6/52/L.6 and Corr.1 and A/C.6/52/L.7 and Corr.1

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution concerning the establishment of an international criminal court

3 p.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 4

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [152] (A/52/304 and Add.1 and Corr.1, A/52/37, A/C.6/52/L.3)

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Afternoon**-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting.

** Following the adjournment of the 28th meeting.

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COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	189th meeting	Conference Room 6

1. Consideration of the addendum to the report of the Committee and the draft recommendations and conclusions (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2/Add.1 and A/AC.154/1997/CRP.3)
2. Other matters

COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION

Nineteenth session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	8th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

General debate and consideration of substantive questions

Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-97: Currency and inflation (A/C.5/51/57)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 13 November 1997

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES
(informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the programme budget and the scale of assessments)

1.30 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 97 (h) and 100)

1.45 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 98 (e), (g) and 97 (f))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 95 (b) and 96 (b))

4 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (Agenda item 112 (Human rights questions)) *today*, 13 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 14 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 1

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 1

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	36th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	29th meeting	Conference Room 4
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 29th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

In accordance with the announcement made by the President of the General Assembly on 27 October 1997, the Coordinator of the Informal Consultations on item 20 and all its sub-items, H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria), will hold the second meeting of the Informal Consultations on Tuesday, 18 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8, for an exchange of views on the questions to be considered under the item and on the organization of the work of the Informal Consultations.

Bearing in mind that the debate on item 20 is scheduled to be held in the Plenary on Monday, 24 November, delegations are invited to present any initiative (draft resolution) they might have to the informal meeting on 12 November.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal meetings

Under the auspices of the Second Committee, the following executive briefings will be held:

Monday, 17 November 1997, from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Ms. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, on "Human rights and development" from ;

Wednesday, 19 November 1997: Mr. Kieran Prendergast, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, on "Peace building and development";

Thursday, 20 November 1997: Mr. Yasushi Akashi, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on "Humanitarian crises and development".

The conference rooms and time of the briefings will be announced in due course.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will continue to hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee, as follows:

On 17 November: Mr. van der Stoel (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq), Mr. Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran), and Mr. Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi).

Dialogue

There will be a dialogue with the Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, Ms. Sandra Mason, on Friday, 14 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

There will be an informal briefing for interested delegations by the secretariat of the International Civil Service Commission on the work and functioning of the International Civil Service Commission on Friday, 14 November 1997, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations will be held to discuss the draft resolution concerning the security of humanitarian personnel (agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)) on Friday, 14 November 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations are invited.

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Symposium

A symposium on the theme: "The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century: From Common Challenges to Shared Responsibilities", organized by the United Nations University, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be held on Friday and Saturday, 14 and 15 November 1997, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

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Informal briefing

On behalf of the Friends of Microcredit at the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, will hold an informal briefing on the follow-up of the Microcredit Summit held in Washington D.C. from 2 to 4 February 1997, to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The main presentation will be given by Professor Muhammad Yunus, Managing Director, Grameen Bank. In addition, a presentation will be given by Mr. Sam Daley-Harris, Director, Microcredit Summit Campaign. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 11 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 32nd meeting

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Director, New York Office, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Finland (also on behalf of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Mexico, Guatemala, Papua New Guinea, Ukraine, the United States, New Zealand, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, the Russian Federation, Colombia, Guyana and Bolivia.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.28**

The representative of the Russian Federation, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Japan and Turkmenistan, introduced the draft resolution.

*Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.29**

The representative of Finland, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Albania, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Nicaragua, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Suriname, Turkmenistan and Uganda, introduced the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded the Committee that, beginning on 12 November, the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives on human rights would present their reports. Following these presentations, the floor would be open for a brief period for delegations to make comments or address questions to the speaker. Given the breadth of sub-items (b), (c), (d) and (e), the Chairman proposed to extend the time-limits for statements as follows: for individual delegations speaking on one sub-item: 7 minutes; for individual delegations speaking on two sub-items: 10 minutes; for individual delegations speaking on all four sub-items: 15 minutes. The time limit for groups of delegations would be a maximum of 30 minutes.

Wednesday, 12 November 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3831st meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1997/872, which had been submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America. The President announced that Chile, Costa Rica, Japan, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea and Sweden had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution contained in document S/1997/872.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1997/872).

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica, Sweden, Portugal, Japan, Poland, Chile, Egypt, Kenya, Guinea-Bissau, France and the Republic of Korea.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1997/872) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1137 (1997).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom and the Russian Federation, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of China.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

48th plenary meeting

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [14]:

(a) *Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Agency (A/52/285);*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/52/L.13).*

The President made a statement.

The Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency presented the report of the Agency for the year 1996.

The representative of Japan made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.13.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania and Slovakia), Australia, India, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Armenia, the United States, Uruguay, New Zealand, Lithuania, Pakistan and Kuwait.

Programme of work

The President of the General Assembly informed members that the next meeting of the General Committee would be held on Friday morning, 21 November, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider a request by Jamaica for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Admission of the International Seabed Authority to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund" (documents A/52/233 and Add.1).

The President drew the Assembly's attention to document A/INF/52/3/Add.2 which contained a tentative programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings for the remainder of November and the first two weeks of December. The President further announced that the lists of speakers for the items contained in document A/INF/52/3/Add.2 were open.

49th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 49th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/221).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 20th meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 62 to 83 (A/C.1/52/INF.1)

The Committee continued the fourth phase of its work, namely, action on draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.5/Rev.2

A general statement on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.5/Rev.2 was made by the representative of Israel.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.23/Rev.1 statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Mexico, Cuba , the Islamic Republic of Iran and Israel.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.23/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 121 to 2, with 19 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Portugal, Chile, Brazil, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Togo, Norway, Austria, Madagascar, Bangladesh and Slovenia.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.1*, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, Pakistan, Cameroon and Viet Nam.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement in connection with the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.1* contained in document A/C.1/52/L.47

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.1* was adopted by a recorded vote of 127 to none, with 19 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Algeria, Finland, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Myanmar, Lebanon, India, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bulgaria and Israel.

In explanation of vote before the vote on draft resolution A/C.,1/52/L.5/Rev.2, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Preambular paragraph 6 of the draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to 2, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.5/Rev.2 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 124 to 2, with 17 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, India, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

Operative paragraph 3 of draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.35 was adopted by a recorded vote of 130 to 1, with 9 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.35 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 109 to 4, with 36 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote , statements were made by the representatives of the United States (also on behalf of France and the United Kingdom), China, India, Israel, Egypt, the Republic of Korea, Slovakia and Liberia.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 16th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [88]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, Nepal, Uruguay

(also on behalf of member countries of MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay), as well as Bolivia and Chile), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Mexico, New Zealand, Algeria, Indonesia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Belarus, Romania, Norway, Kazakhstan, Tunisia, Viet Nam, Zambia and Ethiopia, as well as by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

SECOND COMMITTEE 38th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(f) *First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty*

The Committee began consideration of the item and had before it the documentation listed in the *Journal*.

An introductory statement was made by the Director of the Social Policy and Development Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Community; Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Associated country, Cyprus, as well as the EFTA country member of the European Economic Area, Norway, aligned themselves with this statement), the United States, Uruguay (also on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile and Paraguay), China, Tunisia, Ethiopia, the Niger, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Japan and Bangladesh.

Statements were made by the representatives of the World Food Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Development Programme.

The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

The representative of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairman informed the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda item 95 (b) was at 6 p.m.

At the request of the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the Committee agreed to an extension of the deadline for submission of draft proposals under item 97 (h) to Friday, 14 November, at 6 p.m.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(e) *Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.18

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and Chin .

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(g) *Women in development*

(h) *Human resources development*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.17

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(f) *Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/52/L.19

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

39th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(f) *First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty*

The Committee continued consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana, the Philippines, Algeria, Venezuela, Kuwait, Brazil, Benin, Yemen, Bahrain and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Statements were made by the observers for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta and the Holy See.

The representative of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization, the World Bank, the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization.

The Director of the Social Policy and Development Division of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 33rd meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(d) *Human rights questions: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*

The Committee began its general discussion of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, Mr. R. Lallah, made a presentation.

The representative of Myanmar made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Rapporteur on the Elimination of all Forms of Religious Intolerance, Mr. A. Amor, made a presentation.

The representatives of Greece, Kuwait and the United Arab Republic made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire), Mr. R. Garreton, made a presentation.

The representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo made a statement in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The representative of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights read the presentation of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan, Mr. Ch.H. Paik.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement in response to the presentation.

The Independent Expert on the Situation of Human Rights in Haiti, Mr. A. Dieng, made a presentation.

The representatives of Venezuela and Haiti made statements in response to the presentation of the Special Rapporteur.

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Internally Displaced Persons, Mr. F. M. Deng, made a presentation.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 28th meeting

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [143] *(A/51/432, A/51/530 and Corr.1, A/51/801, A/52/426, A/52/464 and A/C.5/52/12)*

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [114]

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/933 and A/52/339 and Add.1)

The Committee resumed its general discussion of these agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Cyprus), the United States, Poland, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Egypt, Cuba, Bangladesh, Japan and Mexico.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services made a statement and responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of item 143 and the relevant reports under item 114 pending a final statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement regarding revisions to the programme of work of the Committee for the remainder of the week.

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
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303rd and 304th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee considered the third periodic report of Argentina (CAT/C/34/Add.5). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Ratification: Peru (12 November 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations announces that a special signing center has been set up in room C-209B (between the Security Council and Trusteeship Council Chambers) for the purpose of accepting signatures from prospective co-sponsors of a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Volunteers: 2001", which will be introduced to the General Assembly on 20 November under agenda item 12. The center will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. until Friday, 14 November. For further information, please contact Mr. Yutaka Yoshino (521-1526) of the Japanese Mission.

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*,13 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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